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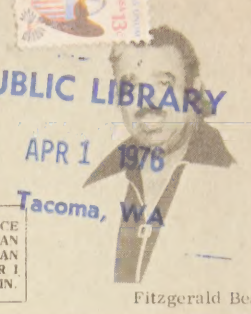

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Pictured above (l-r) are program committee chairperson Mrs. Goldie Walker, Mrs. Carol-Lee Boyle, Mrs. Gwenne Uptegrove, and Mrs. Wilma Olson, committee members who are assisting students with the production.

The L. H. Bates Vocational Technical Institute's Office Occupations Department will present a Spring Fashion Show featuring the concept of "The Total You On The Job," Friday, April 2, at 10:00 a.m. in the school auditorium.

The show which will emphasize the importance of good personal appearance in job success will feature students throughout the show. Mrs. Virginia Webb will be the program moderator.

Mrs. Sandie Martin will be the model coordinator and Dorothy Phillips will narrate a humorous pantomime presented by Mary Bowman, Babette Daniels, Janice Walston, Elizabeth Lane, James Knight, Dorothy Phillips, and Linda Voller.

Participating as models are the following: Mary Carter, Donna Rae Krussow, Dani Mennes, Donna Swinney, Margaret Workman, Vincent Sortz, Philip George, Herbert Wallace, Sandie Martin, Ida Wolf, Mary Pulcino, Carol Davis, Erma Booth, Sheryl Markwardt, Lois McCane, Patty Ostrom, Karen Heslop, and Roxanne Henson.

Costumes and properties for the show were loaned by local firms.

SUPERSHOW I Will Celebrate Kingdome Opening

"SUPERSHOW I," starring Paul Anka, Bill Cosby, Anne Murray, The Pointer Sisters and The Hudson Brothers, is set for Seattle's new Kingdome on Saturday, April 3 at 7 p.m.

Billed as "the largest single theatrical event ever staged in the Pacific Northwest," the four-hour extravaganza will be the first, full-scale concert production to be held in the 69,000-capacity facility.

Co-produced by Concerts West and Northwest Releasing, SUPERSHOW I's tab for talent and production will exceed a quarter of a million dollars.

Pat O'Day of Concerts West is excited about the show and the potential for future concerts in the Kingdome.

"All of these great acts on one stage in one night is a blockbuster -- quite literally a super show. And if it goes over like we hope, we'll have one every year," O'Day said.

Tickets, priced at $10, $8, and $6., are on sale at the Bon Marche stores, Fidelity Lane and the usual suburban outlets in Seattle; Carousel Music in Everett, Budget Tapes and Records in Yakima, First Bank branches in Spokane, Meier & Frank and Lipman's in Portland, and the Bay Box Office in Vancouver.

Mail orders can be sent to the KINGDOME TICKET OFFICE, 201 S. King st., Seattle, Washington, 98104. Checks and money orders are being accepted now. A self-addressed, stamped envelope along with a 50¢ handling fee should be included with all orders.

HOW TO DEAL WITH THE DRUG PROBLEM?

The voluminous publicity given various aspects of this country's problem with hard drugs, while attracting a lot of attention, has apparently failed to convey one important and inescapable fact to most citizens; namely, this country does have a real and serious problem with drug-users.

The use of hard drugs pervades every aspect of our society. What used to be a problem of minorities, especially Blacks in the ghettos America, now extends into grade schools, college campuses and even to affluent suburbia.

The heroin addict is undoubtedly responsible for many of the serious crimes against persons today.

Medical researchers have known for years that heroin is the most addicting of all drugs. It is nonsensical to think any heroin addict can handle such an illness alone.

Another aspect of the problem that has not been widely published is the fact that many young Americans were introduced to this killer drug in Vietnam. There, we are told, the use of "scag" was quite common. Many were killed in Vietnam, and some that survived returned home with a problem of drug addiction.

Recently, Rep. James W. Symington proposed a look-see at the British system of providing free drugs and phychological help to addicts through government dispensaries. He pointed out that 60 to 70 percent of the violent crimes in cities was drug-related. It's commonly accepted that many of these addicts must resort to violence to support their habit. When apprehended, they are sent to various penal institutions where, according to several reports, they now can learn the art of becoming more successful criminals. When returned to society, with their ever-present thirst for heroin, some have now learned a variety of criminal skills to help finance their sickness.

Many approaches have been tried, including stiffer penalties for drug-pushers and pressure on foreign governments to curtail the growing of the heroin poppy, especially in Turkey and Asia. At one time, our government even paid other countries not to grow the poppy.

Most large cities have methadone centers, where large numbers of heroin addicts are treated daily. These clinics have done some good, but a common criticism is that methadone, too, is addicting and that the heroin addict continues to "chip" with heroin while still receiving methadone.

What's wrong with looking at the British system, especially if by supplying drugs we can prevent murders, burglary and assaults? Has the British method worked in Britain? Has it significantly reduced crime in Britain? Are there fewer heroin addicts in Britain today than there were when the government dispensing system was introduced? Such data should, in our opinion, be gathered and these questions answered before the rejection of Rep. Symington's proposal. Our other methodology in approaching the hard drug problem so far hasn't worked. Maybe this recommendation will. RIGHT ON!

Help! We Need Your Furniture

Would you like to help the Scouts in our district? We need your used furniture that you do not want any more. We are going to sell it through Reds Used Furniture Store. The money will be used to put on more and better programs for the boys. If you have anything that we may be able tc use, please call Shorty Duran at 272-0511 or our District Chairman Don Klug at 537-7501.

We would like to welcome the latest addition to our District #1, Troop 100. They are sponsored by the Bethel Luthern Church. Welcome boys.

We will also be holding our District Recognition Dinner on April 8th at St. Pauls Methodist Church on S. 43rd and "L" St. This is when we give awards to all the people that have given of their free time over the last year or so, to help our boys in the Scouting program.

Are You Paying Too Much Tax?

ARE YOU PAYING TOO MUCH TAX??

Ken Johnston, Pierce County Assessor, says many people are paying more property tax than they need to, a situation he'd like to change. He said his office is preparing a booklet for property owners called the "Taxpayer Survival Kit" which outlines special tax programs and exemptions currently available.

"We've included some fairly familiar programs like the Senior Citizen Property Tax Relief, which now covers mobile home owners on their own lots and the physically handicapped of any age, " said Johnston, "and some new programs that people might not know about. Last year, we were able to add a 'Burned and Destroyed Property' program to help owners who have suffered losses of property in getting the value of that property off the records right away. No one should have to pay tax on a building that burned down or a beach that washed away in a storm. This program lets us act on these losses as soon as the property owner notifies us of the damage. In fact, this program was triggered by the 'Chevrolet' fire in the Gateway area."

Johnston says the market value system of property taxation has placed a burden on the elderly, the farmer and the owner who improves the property, and that it's these property owners who are getting protection with special programs. "The Open Space Act and Forest Tax Act can mean a real savings to the farmer, the timber grower and the owner of recreational properties. We'd like these people to be aware of the programs that were designed to help them keep their properties."

Homeowners who are planning to remodel should check into the "Three Year Exemption on Improvements" program, which exempts the property owner from paying tax on the added value to the property for three years.

"It's a way to get around penalizing the property owners who cares about his property and improves it. If property owners will pick up a 'Three Year Exemption' form when they get their building permits and let us know when the improvement is finished, we'll put a hold on that added value for three years following."

Johnston says he hopes that taxpayers will take advantage of these programs and that his office will send complete information concerning any special programs to those who request it.

Ebony Fashion Fair Arrives April 10th

Pale lilac silk crepe gown with halter neckline and deceptive diamonds running horizontally in a clever diamond shaped pattern which is repeated in the matching stole. Designer, Princess Irene Galitzine.

Make a date to see EBONY Fashion Fair "The NATURAL Feeling," a benefit show sponsored by the Seattle Section of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. for the Educational Opportunity Program at the University of Washington. See the latest American and European fashions created by world-famous designers and worn by the beautiful EBONY high-fashion models. Make a date for Saturday, April 10, 8:00 P.M. at the Seattle Center Arena by purchasing your tickets at the Bon Marche ticket outlets. United Airlines is offering a one-week vacation for two in San Francisco, including airfare and hotel, to a member of the audience - compliments of Johnson Publishing Company.

This is the fourth time that the Seattle Section of Negro Women, Inc. has sponsored the Ebony Fashion Fair. In 1969, the proceeds went toward "Hunger, USA" a national project and the furnishing of a room at the East Madison YMCA. The food banks at 23rd and Olive and 28th and Jackson received $3,400 worth of food as a result of the 1971 and 1973 Ebony Fashion Fairs. For further information, please contact Ms. Annie Hall, President of the Seattle NCNW, 7145 SE 33rd, Mercer Island, 232-6714.

Monthly Crime Recap - Feb., 1976

Robberies continued to increase in Tacoma during the month of February with 54 being reported. Since the first of the year, there have been 109 such crimes representing an 84.7 per cent increase for the corresponding time one year ago. (109/59)

Firearms of some type were involved in 40 of the 54 robberies which took place in February. Police said arrests involving three separate groups helped to clear many of the robberies which took place during the first two months of the year and a decline should be notice during this month.

Police arrested 191 persons for major crimes (88 were juveniles) and, as a result, cleared 249 separate incidents. The department's statistics indicated there were 1,962 major crimes reported for the first two months of 1976 compared to 1,833 for 1975. This represents an increase of about seven per cent.

CRIME	1976	1975	PER CENT CHANGE
Criminal Homicide	2	5	- 60.0%
Forcible Rape	9	22	- 59.0%
Robbery	109	59	+ 84.7%
Assault	57	70	- 18.6%
Burglary	692	585	+ 18.3%
Larceny-Theft	999	977	+ 2.2%
Motor Veh. Theft	93	114	- 18.4%

Tripleheader Heavyweight Spectacular

SEATTLE, March 25, 1976 --- An all-heavyweight fight card featuring three of the most explosive, crowd-pleasing fighters ever to fight in the Northwest at one time will be presented April 13th at the Seattle Center Arena.

Ibar Arrington, Ed Bytheway and Bruce Grahdham will be featured in three 10-round co-main events against opponents yet to be selected. "In the past few cards the heavyweights have provided the fans with most of the thrills," Joe Williams, president of Global Productions, the fight promoter, said. "So we decided to go all out with this one." "We're looking for some tough, fighting opponents who will provide a test for all of the local heavyweights."

The reference to local heavyweights was no slip of the tongue. Arrington and Bytheway have been fighting out of Seattle and Grandham, the 6'4" 215-pounder is moving here next week. Grandham, an Okalhoman who has been fighting out of Dallas, liked what he saw in his appearance here March 9th to fight Arrington. He lost the decision, but gained a new home. "Bruce feels that Seattle is where he can live, train and get plenty of boxing work," Williams said. "We're happy he's up here because we feel Bruce has the potential to become one of the very top heavyweight contenders and the eventual champion. He's got the size and the power---all he needs is more seasoning, more fights."

An oddity on the April 13th card is that although each of the three main event fighters has a single loss on his record, the losses all have been to one of the other fighters on the card. Arrington is 14-1-1, with the draw and loss to Bytheway. Bytheway is 3-1-1, with his draw and loss to Arrington. Grandham, 9-1, lost to Arrington March 9th in a fight that had the fans on their feet almost all of the 10 rounds. Grandham was leading in the fight when he missed a punch and went through the ropes head-first, cutting his eye and knocking himself out. A controversial decision by the State Athletic Commission to give him a special two-minute rest period allowed him to continue in the fight. Although Arrington was given a unanimous decision, he got some boos from the fans, who liked Grandham's style. The big man, in fact, was chosen by the fans as "fighter of the night" and given a special cash award by Global Productions. Arrington made no secret of the fact that he thought he should have been fighter of the night, and, despite the fans' reaction to the decision, he had won the fight clearly and cleanly. The fans either love or hate Ibar the Sailor -- there's no middle ground -- but love him or hate him, they all agree that Ibar comes to fight.

Bytheway, who lost to Arrington on a TKO when a cut eye forced the ringside physician to stop the fight, has been training while the eye healed and engaging in a rather unique outside-the-ring occupation. "I'm trying to find jobs for the guys who are eligible for parole from Walla Walla," he said. "A job means a better chance for the guy on parole, a better chance to stay clear of Walla Walla."

Bytheway is familiar with the state penitentiary, having spent much of the last 16 years there. Now he is working with Pacific Institute and trying to make up for lost years in his ring career.

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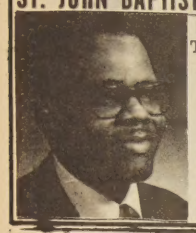

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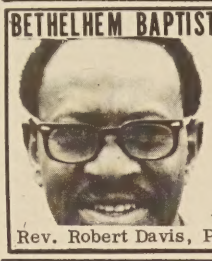

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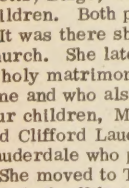

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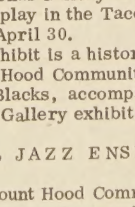

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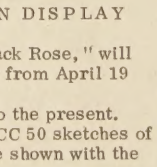

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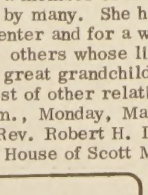

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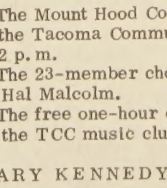

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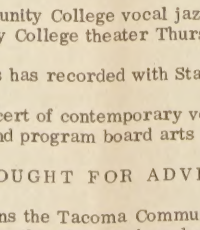

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Rededication of the E. B. Wilson Community Room

The E.B. Wilson Civic and Community club will host a redication of the E.B. Wilson Community Room located at 1202 South "M" St., apt. building will be held on Sunday April 4, from 2:00 p.m., until 4:00 p.m. The apartment building is one of seven operated by the Tacoma Housing Authority.

During the late sixties a group of concerned citizens presented to the Tacoma Housing Authority Commissioners and City Council the name of Reverend E.B. Wilson, who had been a leader within the area and a lover of peace for all people to be used in honor of his outstanding service and dedication on any new construction of public buildings within the city of Tacoma. Rev. Wilson was the former pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church. After a disasterous fire the church was redicated in 1961. He was Grand Chaplin of Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Past President of the Tacoma Branch of the N.A.A.C.P., Board of directors and officer of the Washington Baptist Convention, supporter of lecture on black history for Tacoma Public Schools.

He attended State College in Frankfurt, Kentucky and Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Born in Lexon, Kentucky on March 18, 1988, passed away in 1961 during his twenty-sixth year as partor. The church is located at South 18th and "I" St.

Committee Members are: Medames Lee Smith, Ora Brown and Ella Crawford.

Guest Speakers: Rev. Robert Davis, Pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church, Rev. E.S. Brazil, Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, Atty. Franklin D. Burgess, President Tacoma NAACP.

Musical Selections: Joyce Taylor and Sylvia Palms, Hunt Junior High School, Sharon Smith, Lakes Senior High School, Elaine Warren, McIlvaigh Junior High School.

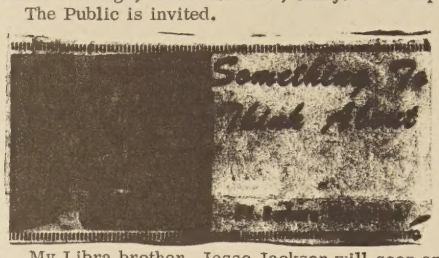
Modern Dance: Carol Burgess, Foss Senior High School.

Pouring: Medames Fanny Turner, J.W. Wesley and Gilbert Foote.

Guest Book: Mesdames C.A. Hadley and Frances Wilkerson.

Club Members Assisting: Barbara Warren, President, Pearl Lewis, Katie Jennings, Mable Roberts, Marjorie Mumphard, and Peal Kelley.

The Public is invited.



My Libra brother, Jesse Jackson will soon appear at UPS as part of the University's sixth annual Black Arts Festival. Mr. Jackson, who will speak April 19, 1976 at 8 p.m. is founder and National President of Operation P.U.S.H. (People United to Save Humanity). He formely was director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Operation Breadbasket. His appearance here in Tacoma should bring every black soul out, for he is, a very strong and caring black man.

He is concerned with the black man and is in touch with the problems that are endangering them. I am positive that he will have something to say that will arouse your interest as a black person. So come and listen to this dynamite brother April 19, 1976. See You There!

African Films to be Shown

The following is a schedule of films to be shown weekly at the African American Cultural Center:

March 31, 1976-Black History-Lost, Stolen, or Strayed.

April 7, 1976-Africa: An Introduction, The Ancient Africans, Discovering the Music of Africa.

April 14, 1976- The Heritage of Slavery, Slavery and the Building of America, Slavery and Slave Resistance.

April 21, 1976-Still a Brother: Inside the Negro Middle Class.

April 28, 1976-Black Music in Transition, Body and Soul (part 2), Echoes of Jazz.

All film showings will begin promptly at 7:00 P.M.

MARK TWAIN said that he had never known a real seeker after truth. Sooner or later everyone engaged in that search found what he was looking for and gave up the quest.

Obituary

MRS. BUCK (LOIS) SMITH, 56, of 2301½ S. K Street departed this life March 19, 1976, Thursday evening at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tacoma, Washington.

She was born 7-21-20 in Oakville, VA to Carl and Maybellie (Torren) Alfredson, both of whom precede her in death.

She moved to Tacoma 36 years ago where she was united in holy matrimony to her husband Buck Smith. Together they operated Smith's hardware store at the corner of S. 23rd and K Street. She was a member of the Ladie's Auxilliary of the American Legion Post # 138.

Those whose lives she brightened beside her husband include one son, Mr. Charles Graves of Oakville, one sister Mrs. Mary Lind of Rochester, Washington, one brother Mr. Marvin Alfredson of Tacoma and four grandchildren.

Services were held 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21, 1976 at the New Covenant Pentecostal Church, the Rev. Sister Edna Travis officiating and were coordinated by the staff of the House of Scott Mortuary.

Her remains were sent to Elma, Washington for burial.

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Obituary

MR. CARNELL GATES, 58, of 2320 South G Street, apartment #50 departed this life late Friday afternoon, March 19, 1976 at the St. Joseph Hospital in Tacoma, Washington.

He was born in Rome, Georgia, December 22, 1917, fourth child of seven to Henry and Estella (Broadman) Gates. His father precedes him in death.

He was raised in La Grange, Georgia. As a young man he joined the C. C. C. camp. He later joined the Army during WW II.

He moved to Tacoma in 1946. On December 23, 1967 he was united in Holy Matrimony to the former Susie Sneed. This marriage was terminated by her death on June 21, 1973. He retired as a cook from Western State Hospital.

He was a mild-mannered man and his easy-going ways made him many friends.

Many whose lives he brightened include his mother, Estella Gates of Rome, two sister, Miss Anna Gates of Akron, Ohio and Mrs. Charlie (Agnes) Burks of Detroit, Michigan, two brothers, Ralph Gates of Rome and Calvin Gates of Atlanta, Georgia and a host of other relatives and special friends including Mrs. Nicie Logan of Tacoma.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 23, 1976 at the Hill Top Chapel, Pastor E.S. Brazill officiating and were directed by the staff of the House of Scott Mortuary.

His final resting place is Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, Oregon.

Obituary

MRS. J. ONNIE LAUDERDALE, 69, of 2509 South L Street departed this life early Friday morning, March 19, 1976 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Tacoma, Washington.

She was born July 8, 1906 in Salttilo, Mississippi to Tom and Mittie (Betts) Birge, the second child and only daughter in a family of six children. Both parents and four brothers precede her in death.

It was there she grew up and was baptized at the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church. She later moved to Guntown, Mississippi where she was united in holy matrimony to Robert Lauderdale who was teaching school at the time and who also precedes her in death. This union was blessed with four children, Mrs. Abe (Jannie) Shelby Jr. of Moses Lake, Washington and Clifford Lauderdale of Tacoma who survive her and Tom and Maggie Lauderdale who precede her in death.

She moved to Tacoma in December of 1951 with her husband where they both affiliated with the Bethlehem Baptist Church. She served on the Senior Usher Board and was a member of the Deborah Circle.

She loved many and was loved by many. She has been active at the Central Area Senior Citizens' Center and for a while she cooked there.

Besides her son and daughter, others whose lives she brightened include twelve grandchildren, two great grandchildren, one brother, Mr. Willie Birge of Tacoma and a host of other relatives and friends.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m., Monday, March 22, 1976 at the Bethlehem Baptist Church, the Rev. Robert H. Davis officiating and were directed by the staff of the House of Scott Mortuary.

Obituary

MR. JAMES JOHNSON, 80, of McKenna, Washington, departed this life Sunday, March 7, 1976 at his home.

He was born 7-15-96 in Preston, Virginia and moved to Washington in 1921.

He leaves no known survivors. Services were scheduled for Monday, March 22, 1976 at the Hill Top Chapel and were directed by the staff of the House of Scott Mortuary. His final resting place in Tacoma Cemetery in Tacoma, Washington.

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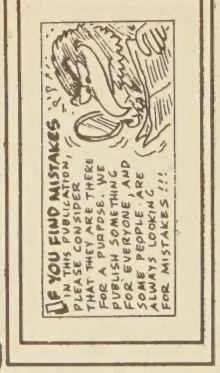

News From TCC

REGIONAL SPELLING BEES HELD FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Robert Arpke, Tacoma Community College English instructor, was one of the judges of four regional spelling bees held at Boze, Truman, Stanley and Birney elementary schools.

Eighty sixth grade spellers competed at the regional bees. Finals will be held at Mt. Tahoma High School on Tuesday, March 30, at 7:30 p.m.

Finalists from the fourth and fifth grade regional bees will also be competing March 30.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART EXHIBIT ON DISPLAY

A National Gallery of Art exhibit, "The Art of the Black Rose," will be on display in the Tacoma Community College library from April 19 through April 30.

The exhibit is a history of Black art from 300 B. C. to the present.

Mount Hood Community College has agreed to lend TCC 50 sketches of famous Blacks, accompanied by a history of each, to be shown with the National Gallery exhibit.

VOCAL JAZZ ENSEMBLE TO PERFORM

The Mount Hood Community College vocal jazz ensemble will perform in the Tacoma Community College theater Thursday, April 15, starting at 2 p.m.

The 23-member chorus has recorded with Stan Kenton and is directed by Hal Malcolm.

The free one-hour concert of contemporary vocal jazz is sponsored by the TCC music club and program board arts committee.

MARY KENNEDY SOUGHT FOR ADVISORY SERVICE

Mary Kennedy, who runs the Tacoma Community College bookstore, has been asked to serve on the advisory board of the College Store Journal, a nationally circulated publication published in Oberlin, Ohio.

This is the second year in a row she will serve on the committee.

Women -- Build Your Own Credit Rating

If you want a loan, you have to convince a lender that you can pay back the money. That's all.

According to a new law, your credit-worthiness has to be the primary basis for making -- or refusing to make -- a loan, says Jean Dible, Washington State University's Pierce County Extension Agent. Your sex or marital status no longer make any difference.

If you are a woman, start building up a credit rating so you can qualify for a loan if you ever need one. Put a checking and/or savings account in your name; take out charge accounts and credit cards for yourself.

Handle these financial arrangements carefully and responsibly; the job you do of managing credit will, in large measure, determine your credit rating.

If you're turned down for a loan because of a credit bureau that prepared your report. Contact the credit bureau to check on the reason for your loan refusal.

If you believe there has been a mistake, you have the right to prepare a 150 word report explaining the situation. This report will be included in your file.

If you suspect the credit bureau's reason was based on sex, age, race or marital status rather than your financial situation, prepare a letter stating your claim.

Send one copy to the lender who refused you credit because of the credit bureau's report. Send another copy to the Office of Saver and Consumer Affairs, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D. C. 20551.

If you feel your claims are valid, there are two good reasons for insisting on your rights, says Jean Dible. There's a chance you'll get the credit you need. And, by following through with a letter, others could benefit because the government will know how well the new law is working.

Affirmative Action Classes

The Citizens Affirmative Action Council of Tacoma/Pierce County is now taking applications for the Spring Class:

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT LAWS AND AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The course is 9 weeks long. Deadline for entry is April 2, 1976. Classes will be held 3 hours 1 evening a week. 3 credit hours will be awarded at the end of 9 weeks.

For more information call the Citizens Affirmative Action Council (CAAC) between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., at 383-1761. Address: 2502 Tacoma Avenue South.

Popular espadrille is destined for a busy season! Navy sailcloth open-toe pump uses natural rope lace-thru as trim. Rope covers the high, slim wedge on a cushiony crepe sole. One of the sailcloth 'n rope combos at BURTS shoe stores.

President Ford Commends Black Doctor For Outstanding Service to America

Dr. Cowan and his family with President Ford at the White House.

In two years in the important post of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health and Environment, a 56-year-old Black physician from New Jersey quietly mounted a string of successes in the delivery of health care and services which President Ford has called "outstanding and notable."

Dr. James R. Cowan, a native of Washington, D. C., left his post as Assistant Secretary of Defense, effective this month, to return to the private medical sector. He did not reveal his immediate plans, although there is speculation he will try to gain the New Jersey Republican Party nomination for the U. S. Senate.

President Ford accepted Dr. Cowan's resignation "with great regret" and called him to the White House for a ceremony to recognize what the President called Dr. Cowan's "outstanding and notable contributions in the delivery of health care and services to the members of the Armed Forces and authorized beneficiaries."

During the short ceremony in the Oval Office, John Calhoun, Special Assistant to the President for Minority Affairs, pointed out that Dr. Cowan was the highest-ranking Black ever to be appointed to the Defense Department.

"He has served with great distinction, accomplishing much with little fanfare," said Calhoun, "and the Administration is reluctantly losing one of its very valuable officials."

Calhoun said that Dr. Cowan initiated improvements in management of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS). Significant actions were taken, he said, to improve identification and deterrent values of the urinalysis testing program for suspected drug abuse among members of the Armed Forces.

Joint efforts and agreements with other Federal agencies led to development of a pioneer quality assurance program in psychiatric care and quality control of all drugs procured for the Armed Forces, Calhoun noted.

Dr. Cowan, currently residing at 2 Warner Road, Maplewood, N. J., is a graduate of Howard University, Fisk University and Meharry Medical College. He was in private practice in East Orange, N. J. from 1953 to 1970. From 1970 to 1974 he served as the New Jersey State Commissioner of Health in the administration of Governor William T. Cahill.

Dr. Cowan is the grandson of Julia Rankin Hall, Cahill.

Dr. Vowan is the grandson of Julia Rankin Hall, one of the first women physicians in the United States. She received her M. D. from Howard University College of Medicine in 1892. His father was a chemistry professor in the public school system in Washington, D. C. for 33 years.

After interning at Harlem Hospital, Dr. Cowan served as Resident in Surgery at Freedmen's Hospital in the Nation's Capital, and was later a Fellow in Surgery at Howard.

Dr. Cowan served in the Army from 1950 to 1953 in Germany, where he was Battalion Surgeon in Frankfurt and later Chief of Surgery at the Army Hospital in Reggensburg.

He has served numerous boards, commissions, committees, councils and panels, both state and Federal. Dr. Cowan is married to Juanita G. Cowan, a registered nurse, who is a graduate of New York University and Bellevue Schools of Nursing. Their eldest son, Dr. James R. Cowan, Jr., is a practicing physician in East Orange, N. J. The Cowans have another son, Jay Charles, 14 and a daughter, Jill, 10.

Sports Record Book

by Brian Jaybush

MOVING BACK BY STANDING STILL

I'm not sure if it's really indicative of anything, but have you noticed that both Los Angeles and Milwaukee are not, what you say, tearing up the NBA this season?

You may recall that the biggest off-season deal last summer in the NBA was the trade that sent Kareem Abdul-Jabbar from Beer City to his home-away-from-home, LA. The Bucks, in return, received Elmore Smith, and a couple of other players. Not that the Bucks had WANTED to trade Kareem; not only had he cost them a bundle to sign, but for the entire time he had been in Milwaukee - his entire career - he had been Mr. Franchise. The thing that made the Bucks go. Without him, what would the Bucks be?

What the Bucks would be is being answered this season. Not much. Oh, sure, Milwaukee is in first place in the Midwest Division, the place they had traditionally inhabited when Kareem had been with them, and healthy. But the only reason they are there now is because everybody else in the division is worse: Milwaukee's winning percentage is just .432, but second place Detroit is only slogging along at .419, Kansas City's third place is out of the playoffs on the 'strength' of .392, and last place Chicago is completely out of it with .297.

But what about Kareem and Los Angeles? The Lakers, always a strong team in the past, should be the terror of the Pacific with the Big Fella in the middle, right?

Wrong, basketball fans.

As it stands now, the Lakers aren't even in the playoffs. Their record is right at .500, 38-38, which is admittedly better than Milwaukee's; but in the Pacific Division, that's only good enough for fourth place. Both Seattle and Phoenix are not only ahead of LA, but both are playing better basketball and, probably, will remain ahead of the Lakers and wind up with the playoff spots that the Lakers will miss.

Why is this? Some, mostly Laker officials, would like to write it off as early-season problems, working Kareem into the offense and the team as a whole, a process that admittedly takes time. But in response to that, NBA-watchers point out that, in the early going, LA was playing much better than it is now; in fact, the Lakers were right up there with Golden State for a while, toughing it out for first place. Golden State now is running away and hiding from not only the rest of the division but the rest of the league, while LA is slowly sinking into the sunset.

Obviously, the acquisition of Jabbar isn't, can't be, the only reason for The Fade. But what else is there?

Coach Bill Sharman is the same coach, with or without voice, who was so successful with the ABA's Utah Stars that the Lakers stole him away from that now-defunct team to lead Southern California's Finest (at least, most expensive) team to glory. He is the same Coach Sharman who did, in fact, lead the Lakers to the NBA championship in 1971 with Wilt Chamberlain and Jerry West in the last years of their careers. So it can't be the coaching at fault.

The rest of the team hasn't changed that much. Granted, the only Laker other than Jabbar who might qualify for Star Status is Gail Goodrich, and he isn't too happy with the way the Lakers treat him, but recently has played bad enough to earn the Lakers poor treatment. But it can't be just a lack of stars that hurts the team.

The only plausible answer is that the team HASN'T changed that much. It has been fairly static in player deals, other than in obtaining Jabbar. But while LA has been standing fairly still, everyone else has been going forward. To wit: Golden State has two outstanding second-year men who spark the team even when not starting, Jamaal-Wilkes and Charles Dudley. Seattle is renown for its youth, with last year's squad comprised of 50% rookies. Phoenix, while not having so many rookies, has been going the trade route to obtain better players and better its position.

Possibly Los Angeles is just having a bad year. Possibly the Midwest Division is just in a slump. Possibly. But probably these teams have just drifted away from the mainstream of NBA power -- by standing still.

Ringside Northwest

by Joe West

HI BOXING FANS -- It seems like March is going out like a lion, just as it started, and I for one will be glad to see April come in as a lamb...I hope. But for you fans, please do not despair as you all know that we have the greatest seasons in the world here in the great Northwest. -- I know that you all heard about the big match between ALI and the wrestler. It's a shame that we up here do not get the word as it happens. While we were in California a few weeks ago the publicity started for this earthshaking event with a match between Harold Smith and some wrestler whose name I forgot, for the press and the California Commission. It ended up with the wrestler on his back. Of course the wrestler did get ahold of Smith but could not throw him down and that my friends was his downfall.

While in California the fighters and I met some young men at the doctors office getting their exams and lo and behold if they are not up here now training at the Eagles gym along with some of the local fighters that will be seen on the next card here April 13th. The young men are FLOYD MAYWEATHER, VONZELLE JOHNSON and GRIG COVERSON. They are here with their manager HENRY GROOMS. They hail from Kalamazoo, Michigan. Come on down and watch them train. You can see the difference in training methods between the east and the west. Yes, there is a big difference as we on the west coast do train a little more relaxed than on the eastern seaborad. Come on down and see for yourself.

Talking about the Boxer-Wrestler deal, at the same time the press was telling about ALI it also was saying the Middleweight Champion MONZON was thinking about the same thing. Of course he will not make 6 million but he is going to get $600,000 and that my friends is not to be sneezed at.

I was looking at the latest Ring Magazine and noticed that Pat O'Conner was listed in the top ten. This is the same man that Tommy Howard fought in Minneapolis two months ago and as the newsmen said, Tommy should not have lost the bout. At the same time Ring listed O'Conner it gave all the top men and lo and behold Howard has fought four of the men listed. This shows you the kind of competition that Howard has faced. This is one of the reasons I say Tommy Howard is one of the best fighters we here in the Northwest have. It's a shame the promoters here overlook him but as stated before, all good things come to those who wait. -- A lot of people ask me how I can laugh at setbacks and disappointments as I do. Now I can tell you why...Monday my wife and I toasted our 16th year of togetherness and that my friends is the reason. 16 good years - any man in his right mind could overcome anything with the help I've had over that period of time, so here and now I say thanks to you sweetheart I've got it made. - CI BON.

Sonics, Lakers, or Suns?

No one, but no one, could ever accuse the Seattle SuperSonics of NOT making things interesting.

Here we are, approaching the 75th game of the season, and the Sonics are searching for their second straight playoff berth, holding a precarious, but inside edge in a season ending showdown reminiscent of a shootout at OK Corral.

And shooting, the Sonics are! In the past six games, Seattle is averaging over 120 points per game and has become the seventh most offensively potent team in the NBA.

So the shootout continues this week....all against Pacific Division rivals, beginning with Los Angeles at home on Wednesday, at LA on Friday, at Oakland against the Warriors on Saturday, back home again on Sunday against Phoenix.

The Suns, streaking themselves, have moved into a tie with Seattle in second place, both teams with 38-36 records. A win by Phoenix over the Lakers on Sunday pushed LA a game and a half back into fourth place.

Last season, Seattle waited until its 78th game before cinching its first post-season berth ever, and its's doubtful that the Sonics can do it again before that, although this week could either settle or further confuse the situation.

Of course, considering what has happened injury-wise to Seattle the past few weeks, the Sonics should be somewhat thankful. With a special....very special thanks to Talvin Skinner.

The 6-5 forward (guard, center, etc.) was averaging around 3.5 points and rebounds per game, seeing limited duty this season. Subbing in a starting position for the injured Leonard Gray, Skinner came through with a career high 26 points performance against Atlanta (a 127-112 Sonics' victory). He had 22 rebounds and six steals in the two games, and, when Tommy Burleson was spelled at center, Skinner ran the plays offensively ("he thinks he's 7-2 anyway," Coach Bill Russell explained).

And while Skinner was sailing through the clouds, the runaway wheelbarrell himself, Wille Norwood, was having a good time too, thank you, collecting 75 points in the past six games and earning some well-deserved praise from his coach for "doing the things he does well."

Of course Mr. Catalyst, Slick Watts, continued his incredible pace, and has now run up 24 steals and 46 assists in the past five games.

It's all rather interesting, really. Scary, perhaps, but interesting. And as we now approach the final two weeks of the season, may we suggest you have your hearts checked and your playoff money in hand.

Sea-Tac Chapter of North Carolina A&T State University, Alumni Association Salutes Al Attles

Back row, left to right: Pat Magnuson, Jim Watson, Walter Williams, Fred White, Curtis Coates (President); front row: Telitha Watson, Betty Gray (Vice-president), Marie Coates. Members not present: Brenan King, William Wynn, Ishmael Edmonds, Jr., Andy Reynolds, Donald Hester, Charles Saunders and Fitzgerald Beaver.

The Sea-Tac Chapter will honor Golden State Warrior Coach Al Attles, an A&T Alumni, on April 10, 1976 in recognition of his contributions as an outstanding scholar, citizen and distinguished player and coach.

The Chapter represents the A&T Alumni living in the Pacific Northwest. Its goals are to provide financial assistance to Black students of the Pacific Northwest who desire to attend a Black University. All A&T Alumni and invited guests are cordially invited to attend the recognition ceremony in Bellevue, Washington.

All former Aggies are invited to participate in the Chapter functions and may do so by contacting the Chapter president, Curtis Coates, at 442-0450 or 747-7317.

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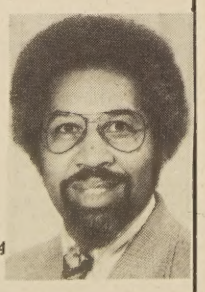

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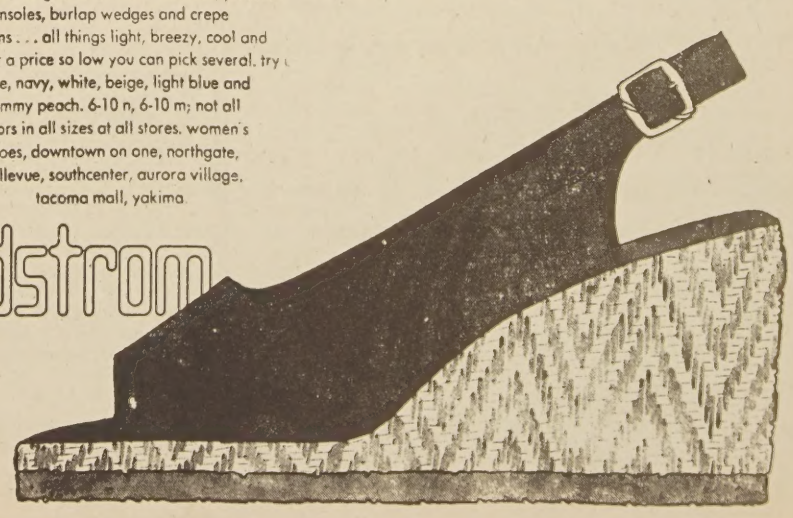

Annual Traffic Report Reviewed

Tacoma police investigated 914 more traffic accidents during 1975 than they did in 1974 according to the 1975 Annual Report from the Traffic Division. Authorities said the increase was primarily due to a policy change which placed traffic accident investigation within the traffic division about mid-year. With the traffic division personnel assigned to traffic control and accident investigation, more accidents were covered.

Previously, the accidents had been investigated by officers who not only covered traffic accidents, but all types of criminal activities including robberies and burglaries. Relatively minor auto crashes were not usually investigated fully, due to the lack of time and manpower.

Accidents claimed the lives of seven more persons last year than the year before and injured 345 others. In 1975, 31 people were killed and as additional 1,437 sustained some type of injury.

"We also noted an increase in property damage accidents with 753 more being reported than in 1974, "explained Capt. Robert H. McConnell Traffic Division Commander. "Again, we believe the additional accidents were reported primarily due to the fact that we had a specific unit working accidents alone and more of the 'fender-bender' variety were investigated and official reports filed."

McConnell said that last year's trend was almost a repeat of previous years. "Fridays and Saturdays continued to be the most hazardous days of the week. Out of the 4,906 reported accidents, those two days accounted for 1,723. Fridays recorded 887 accidents with Saturdays logging 836. Weekends always account for heavier traffic volumes and subsequently higher accident rates."

Persons in the age group of 20 to 24 had the highest number of casualties (308) while occupying vehicles. They also had the highest injury rates as pedestrians (322). In fatality accidents, three of those killed were in that age group and three more were 35 to 44. Four were ages 15 through 19.

McConnell said such trends were generally true in most jurisdictions since population figures indicate the largest number of people are in that particular age bracket.

"Unfortunately, 16 of the 31 deaths involved alcohol," McConnell pointed out. "While some may not have been completely intoxicated, their judgement was partially impaired due to alcohol and this was listed as a contributing factor to the crash."

Sixth and Pearl and South 72nd and Pacific continued to have the most accidents in 1975, a position both intersections held the year before. Considering the design of both intersections and the enormous traffic flow, McConnell said this was understandable. "As we have said in the past, Sixth and Pearl will never see a decrease in accidents unless the state relocated the particular section of State Route 16 and the various turn lanes, cross traffic turns and intersections are eliminated."

The department's annual traffic accident report was returned from the printers last week. Among the pages of print-outs from the computer statistics, one major cause of accidents continued to lead all others... "inattention."

"People need to understand that traffic officers have little actual control over the total number of accidents which occur, "McConnell explained. "Only the motoring public, in general, can correct the problem of an increasing accident rate by being more consientious drivers and obeying the laws on a voluntary basis."

He added, "There just are not enough police to force good driving behavior on the people. All we can do is try to keep the traffic moving smoothly, isolate the extremely errant motorist and remove the drinking driver from the streets."

McConnell said the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) which was completed last summer in Tacoma had shown that the average individual involved in a traffic accident was not the one who had an extremely bad driving record. "All it requires is one mistake to become involved in a traffic accident," McConnell said. "There is no way of telling who the next victim will be, but the motorist who obeys the law, doesn't compile a poor driving record and is conscientious about how he operates his vehicle certainly stands a better chance of not becoming involved in an accident. With as many cars as there are on our streets, the risks are higher than ever before and we can only hope people will consider the risk, improve their habits and then diligently drive defensively at all times."

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MILITARY WIDOWS TO MEET

The Society of Military Widows will hold their next meeting on April 2nd at 1:00 at the McChord NCO Club. A game night will be held with dice and roullette being played for small prizes.

SEPTEMBER CLUB'S ANNUAL FASHION SHOW

September Club #21 will hold its 2nd annual Fashion Show on Sunday, April 4, 1976 at the Caballeros Club, 1516 So. 28th Street, from 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Models are from Seattle, Bremerton, and Tacoma. Our first show was in December and we missed seeing you. Lots of good things are in store for you this time. Door Prizes. Music by Mr. Hank Brown.

DIABETES ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The Pierce County Unit of the American Diabetes Association will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, April 1st at 7:30 p.m. at the Puget Sound Hospital on 36th and Pacific. Anyone is welcome to attend.

The program features a presentation on "Diet and the Exchange Program" by doctors from the Mason Clinic in Seattle. Present to answer questions will be Lucy Matteson, R.D., and Dr. A.H. Sobul from Federal Way.

For more information, contact Mary Allen, President, at 922-7517 in Tacoma.

Junior Daffodil Parade Advisory

Tacoma's downtown area takes on the first of a series of festive appearnaces Saturday (April 3) when the Junior Daffodil Parade begins the annual Daffodil Festival.

Tacoma police issued the following advisory in view of the fact that festival officials expect about 3,000 youngsters to take part in the Junior Parade on Saturday. "Extreme care, a lot of patience and some common sense must be used by everyone driving in the vicinity of the parade route and staging area," commented Capt. Robert H. McConnell, Traffic Division Commander.

The police department will block off Schuster Parkway at Ruston Way to all traffic beginning at 9:00 a.m. This will permit the youngsters to assemble from South 8th and Pacific along Schuster Parkway. North 30th will be closed to southbound traffic at McCarver. (Both Schuster Parkway and North 30th traffic will be re-routed to Tacoma Avenue for the duration of the parade).

The parade will traverse Pacific from South 9th to South 13th, then eastward on South 13th to Court "A" and the parking lot. The viewing stand will be on the northeasterly corner of South 11th and Pacific and traffic will be halted on Pacific Avenue from 10:00 a.m. until about 1:00 p.m. when the parade should conclude. No parking signs will border the route and on intersecting streets from "A" to Commerce.

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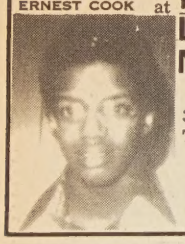

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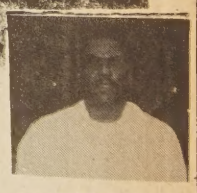

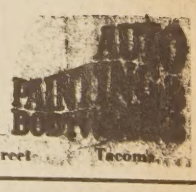

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LEGAL NOTICE

On March 16, 1976, the Board of Pierce County Commissioners, as Prime Sponsors gave Public Notice of Application to the Department of Labor for a CMP-11 program modification of the on-going Pierce County Manpower FY 1976 Title I CETA grant. The Comprehensive Employment and Training Act of 1973, Public Law 93-203 provides for job training and employment opportunities for the economically disadvantaged, the unemployed and the underemployed.

This modification will provide for revised 4th and 5th quarter program allocations and goals.

4th Quarter Revisions

1. Transfer to Vocational Education budget from Youth Reserve fund to cover expended student tuition and allowance costs:

Commission for Vocational Education	$ 10,000.00
Washington State Employment Security (for Vocational Education)	20,000.00

2. Reassignment of Recovered funds toward extension of Title I Public Service Program 30,000.00

3. Transfer from Reserve budget to cover costs in Youth Experience Vocational Education, Junior Partner Program, etc. 64,382.00

4. Approve Secretarial Improvement Program under existing Tacoma Urban League budget allocation. 19,500.00

5th Quarter Revisions

1. Extension of on-going subcontracts to:

a. Puyallup Indian Tribe	10,339.00
b. El Cid	17,542.00
c. Washington State Employment Security (for Vocational Education & Rural Manpower Offices)	142,355.00
d. Youth Program	73,022.00

2. Extension of Tacoma Urban League contracts with no budget increase.

Cost Category Revisions

Administration decreases $791. to total $363,447; Allowances increases $119,569. to total $610,627; Wages increases $26,458. to total $353,971; Fringe Benefits decreases $2,385. to total $56,548; Training decreases $78,336. to total $438,516; and Services increases $12,232. to total $394,099.